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**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Claims 1 and 2 have been canceled. Claims 3, 4, 11 and 13 have been amended. Thus, claims 3-7 and 9-13 are pending.

The Examiner indicated that claims 3-7 contain allowable subject matter. Claims 9, 10 and 12 are allowed. To place this application in condition for allowance expeditiously, claim 3 has been rewritten in independent form including all the features of claims 1 and 2. In addition, claims 11 and 13 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 9.

In view of the above, it is believed this application is in condition for allowance, and such a Notice is respectfully solicited.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any missing or insufficient fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a), to Deposit Account No. 50-0687, under Order No. 95-332, and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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